



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 258

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (01/12/2020)

TOTAL	TODAY
Tested 157229	Tested 1466
Confirmed 14477	Confirmed 61
Active 626	Active 626
Recovered 13697	Recovered 97
Death 151	Death 0

- The cases continue to flare up among the school premises and hostels.
- A total of **14477** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **7908 (54.6%)** were recorded compared to female cases **6569 (45.4%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **560 (3.9%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 371 (66.3%) State; 186 (33.2%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (94.6%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **94.6%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6501 (45.9%)** and **4066 (28.1%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **116 (76.8%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **35 (23.2%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 01 December 2020

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	4066	40	3984	41	0	38	1	74
Hardap	764	98	659	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	617	122	490	5	0	4	0	17
Kavango East	220	9	208	3	0	2	0	21
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6501	291	6137	73	0	69	0	343
Kunene	37	1	35	1	0	1	0	0
Ohangwena	230	4	223	2	0	0	1	6
Omaheke	148	10	134	4	0	3	0	4
Omusati	81	3	77	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	849	16	825	8	0	7	0	28
Oshikoto	452	3	448	0	0	0	1	7
Otjozondjupa	422	28	389	5	0	4	0	18
Zambezi	82	1	81	0	0	0	0	12
Total	14477	626	13697	151	0	134	3	560

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

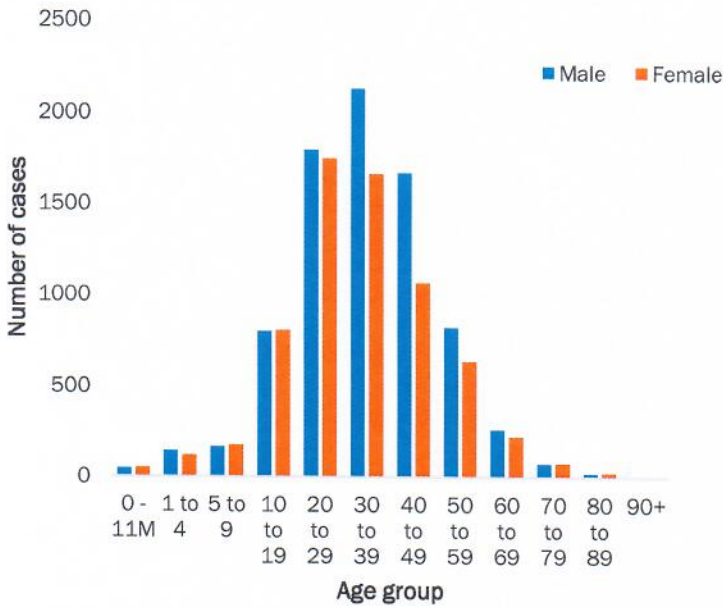


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 01 December 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, **10054 (69.4%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **1943 (13.4%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **349 (2.4%)** of the total cases whereas, **678 (4.7%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 01 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	157347
Total samples tested	150336
Total samples re-tested	6893
Total positive results	14477
Total negative results	135807
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	52
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1430

- To date, **157229** tests (including **6893** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **36471** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **147** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **33635** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4282 (29.6%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3226 (98.2%)** out of **3285** active

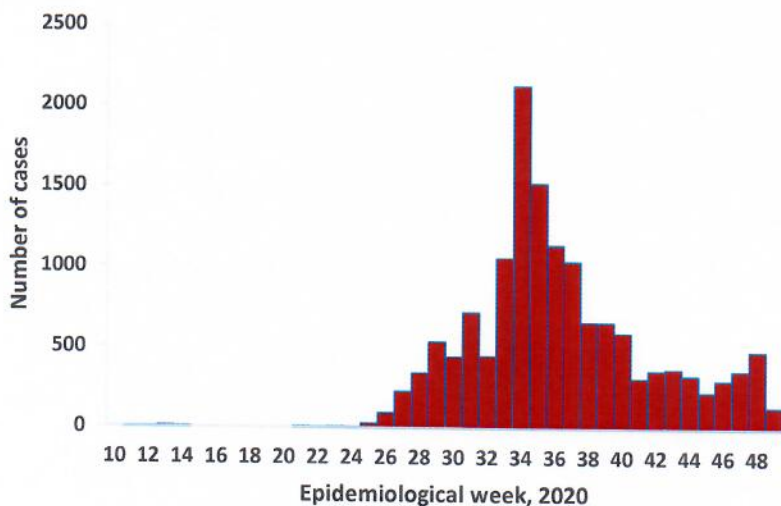


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 01 December 2020

- A highest peak of **2123 (14.7%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 2).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily. Today (01/12/2020) **753** calls were answered including **78** alerts.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 01 December 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4163	4081	82	0
Hardap	3	934	920	14	0
Kavango	10	812	799	13	0
Khomas	0	2934	2903	31	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	1	836	834	2	0
Ohangwena	0	564	562	2	0
Omaheke	21	1747	1669	78	0
Omusati	4	426	419	7	0
Oshana	0	365	365	0	0
Oshikoto	47	2792	2587	205	0
Otjozondjupa	0	980	968	12	0
Zambezi	2	1065	1006	59	0
Total	88	20546	20027	519	0

➤ Since March 2020, **20546** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

➤ A total of **519** people are currently in quarantine, with **88** new admissions in the last 24 hours.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Expanded Targeted Testing is being conducted at institutions that have confirmed positive cases.
- Virtual training on Integrated Disease Surveillance Response (IDSR) is ongoing country-wide.
- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise continuation of essential health services.

CHALLENGES

- Lack of isolation units and facilities in the country for special cases in closed settings such as schools, police holding cells and prisons.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities for identified special cases throughout the country.

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